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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Responsive to the final Office Action dated August 12, 2008, the Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks. In light of these amendments and remarks, the Applicants respectfully assert that all of the claims are patentable, and that the application be allowed. A Request for Continued Examination has been submitted contemporaneously herewith.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

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